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REF: A. BEIRUT 5916, MAY 28,1974: B. BEIRUT 10444, AUGUST 30,1974 (NOTAL)

1. LEBANESE MILITARY COURT ON MAY 28,1975, ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, SENTENCED FOUR DEFENDANTS, CHARGED WITH BOMBING OF KENNEDY CULTURAL CENTER (REFTEL A) AND ATTEMPTED BOMBING OF PAN AMERICAN OFFICES IN BEIRUT (BERIUT 9116, AUGUST 2,1974), TO DEATH. SENTENCES PASSED ON ALI HASSAN, DIAB MUBARAK, SAMIR AZIZ TANNOUS, AND AZIZ SALIM KHALIL WERE COMMUTED TO FIVE YEARS AT LARD LABOR. ARMY ATTORNEY GENERAL REPORTEDLY ASKED TRIBUNAL TO PASS "MOST SEVERE SENTENCE" ON ACCUSED IN CONFORMITY WITH THE " LAW REGARDING TERRORIST ACTIVITIES OF DECEMBER 11,1958." FOUR OTHERS WERE ACQUITTED DURING THE TRIAL FOR LACK OF EVIDENCE.

2. COMMENT: DEPT WILL NOTE THAT, EXCEPT IN CASE OF TANNOUS, CURRENT PRESS ACCOUNTS ARE AT VARIANCE SOMEWHAT WITH NAMES GIVEN IN REFTEL B. WE HAD HOPED TO HAVE OBTAINED
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FURTHER DETAILS RE THIS CASE FROM ARMY G-2 AND GOL POLICE

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TO FLESH OUT THIS REPORT. UNFORTUNATELY, THE RECENT DETERIOR-
TION OF LEBANESE SECURITY SITUATION INTERVENED, DRIVING
ADDITIONAL COVERAGE FROM THE
PRESS AND GREATLY PREOCCUPYING
BOTH KNOWLEDGEABLE GOL OFFICIALS AND EMBOFFS. WE ARE THERE
FORE SUBMITTING, FOR THE RECORD, THIS REPORT AND WILL FOLLOW
UP AS AND WHEN LOCAL CONDITIONS PERMIT
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